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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

HUNGARIAN ULTIMATUM AND
DECREE.

LONDON, March 31.
Bale hears from Weimar that there is an unconfirmed report to the effect that the Hungarian government sent a short term ultimatum to the Czechoslovak state, owing to the concentration of troops in Czechoslovakia and to the rumoured forthcoming general mobilisation of Bohemia.

Copenhagen learns that the Budapest government has issued a decree forbidding anyone to leave the country. Those attempting to escape will be brought before a revolutionary tribunal. The decree says that all rights of foreigners must be absolutely respected. The persons of foreign diplomats and the flags designating the residences of foreigners are inviolable under penalty of death.

THE SILVER MARKET.

SINGAPORE, April 2.
On March 25 in the *Gazette* the Treasury announces that the maximum price of silver, bullion sold in the United Kingdom will be such price as is equivalent at the current rate of exchange to 95 cents per standard ounce.

FAR EASTERN CABLENEWS

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CHINESE FORCE TO PROCEED TO
THE NORTHERN FRONTIERS.

PEKING, April 3.

Arrangements are proceeding for the dispatch of several Divisions of the National Defence Army to the Northern frontiers.

One will observe Col. Semenoff's movement for the formation of an Independent State, which will possibly affect Mongolia; a second Army will guard the Urga-Kiachta line against Bolshevik intrusion.

"ANTILOCUS" NOT DUE
FOR TEN DAYS YET.

DEPARTURE POSTPONED.

The sailing of the str. *Antilocus* from Shanghai has been postponed until April 10. No reason was stated other than that by delaying departure there is a possibility that the passenger list may be increased by another hundred enemy subjects, and among other reasons it might be stated that the question of the medical staffing of the ship has not yet been settled.

As regards the latter question, the chief difficulty arises from France's desire to annex the Saar basin, which the British and American delegates oppose. There has been much discussion touching the guarantee which France will receive against German aggression in the event of non-annexation.

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FEAR OF FRENCH OCCUPATION.

VIENNA, March 29.
The railwaymen decided to resume work at twelve to night, owing to German-Austria having food for only three days.

It was stated in Vienna that one reason for the cessation of the railway strike was that it might be made a pretext for the occupation of German-Austria by large bodies of French troops, which it was believed would be despatched against Hungary and the Russian Bolsheviks.

Egypt.

LONDON, March 31.
In the House of Commons, in reply to a question, Major Wedgwood stated that an enquiry would be instituted into the causes of the recent outbreak in Egypt at the earliest possible date, but law and order must first be restored.

LONDON, March 31.
In the House of Commons, Mr. Winston Churchill, referring to the criticism that the situation in Egypt was due to the Military Government, remarked that whatever might be said of British soldiers they were generally more in demand in every country of the world as wage-earners and pacifiers than soldiers of any other country. (Oscar.) As a matter of fact, British rule, under which Egypt had prospered enormously, had never been military, but civilian. In time of war, however, the British had been taken out of the country and had been administered through civilian authorities.

POLAND.

PARIS, March 30.

The *Vorwärts Zeitung* reports that fifty Belgians occupied Dusseldorf harbour, the *Entente* explaining that the occupation of the harbours on the right bank was essential to the protection of Rhine traffic.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

PARIS CONFERENCE.

LONDON, March 30.
The Council of Four is methodically working. They meet twice daily, and though the utmost reserve is maintained in regard to the outcome of their deliberations, it seems certain that a certain amount of war material and equipment will be sent to Rumania, in view of the military measures necessitated by the recent amendment of the *Boisne* and the *Ukraine*.

GERMANS TO BE CALLED IN
AFTER EASTER.

LONDON, March 30.
It is semi-officially stated that M. Daudier, the Secretary-General of the Peace Conference, visited Versailles this afternoon, in order to arrange for the holding of the Congress for Peace Preliminaries.

As soon as the great Powers have finally decided the text of the Preliminary Treaty, the German plenipotentiaries, headed by Count Brockdorff von Rantzau, will be summoned to Versailles. About 60 German delegates are expected. They will be lodged in the Town Hall. Preparations for their installation will occupy at least three weeks, so the Congress cannot well open until after Easter.

GERMAN BOLSHEVISM A
MILITARIST PLANT.

LONDON, March 31.
The *Daily News* Paris correspondent states that an official investigator, whom the British Government employed during the war, has returned to Paris from Germany and presented a report to the Delegates.

He regards seriously the coqueting of the Germans with Bolsheviks, and says that the latter are the last desperate venture of the Bolsheviks, who hope that if Germany goes Bolshevik, she will drag the world down with her. He expresses the opinion that many of the disorders attributed to the Spartacists were really originated by the Spartacists and that a change in the Government is necessary to break the power of the militarists. He foreshadows a coalition of the Independents and Majority Socialists and the middle class Peasants.

GERMAN TRADE.

COPENHAGEN, March 31.
In order to assist Germany to obtain credit from neutral countries and purchase foodstuffs, Marshal Foch telegraphed from Spa, intimating that Germany would be allowed to negotiate with neutral firms, provided the approval of the Supreme War Council was obtained.

German semi-official newspapers demand the abolition of this condition, declaring that Germany's trade must be entirely free.

AN ARREST.

COPENHAGEN, March 31.
A telegram from Berlin, dated March 31, stated that the Independent Socialist Herr Daenning, the second President of the Greater Berlin Executive Council, has been arrested on suspicion of being the ringleader of the January disturbances.

LLOYD GEORGE.

LONDON, March 31.
Mr. Harold Begbie, writing to the *Daily Chronicle*, from Amerongen, claims to have been admitted to an intimate interview with the ex-Kaiser. He says that Count Bentinck is not an old friend of the ex-Kaiser, whom he received to oblige the Dutch Government.

The ex-Kaiser is not, by any means, a broken man. He is still full of energy, though his hair has turned white. But he has abandoned outings and wood-chopping, and his sole open-air exercise now consists of a half-hour walk round the mont.

At other times, he remains in his room reading to the ex-Empress, while she is busy with her needlework, and writing his autobiography.

The ex-Kaiser frequently expresses appreciation of the religious atmosphere of the Castle and does not fear a public trial. He anticipates spending a peaceful retirement in Germany.

LONDON, March 31.
MILITARY SERVICE BILL.

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In the House of Commons, Mr. Winston Churchill, speaking on the Military Service Bill, said that the cost in 1919 for the Army of Occupation was estimated at £133,000,000, after deducting £70,000,000 which could be recovered from Germany. It was expected to recover by salvage an amount two or three times greater than the cost of the Armies of Occupation for the current year.

THE "SMOULDERING COMBOLOL."

OF FLAME.

From the White Sea to the Caspian, there was a smouldering corridor of flame. Little States were in the direct path and immediately we brought back our Armies we would be powerless to influence the course of events in Europe.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF TROOPS.

The distribution of troops would be approximately as follows:—In Great Britain, 176,000; France, 120,000; in the Rhine, 264,000; in Italy and the adjacent regions, 10,000.

JUGO-SLAV DIFFERENCES.

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THE MIDDLE CAUCASUS AND
MESOPOTAMIA.

In the Middle Caucasus there were 75,000 troops which, it was hoped, would be soon substantially reduced. They were retained at present merely to prevent uprisings until decisions had been reached at the Peace Conference.

In Mesopotamia, there were 30,000; and in North Russia and Siberia, 22,000.

Of these Armies of Occupation, numbering 550,000, there were 205,000 non-combatants.

It was impossible to get the forces required by voluntary means before the Peace Treaty was finally ratified.

The Bill passed its third reading.

AUSTRALIAN FIRMS SPUR NEW
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MUNICH, March 31.

Two leading Australian firms, manufacturing chemists, received requests from a New York German firm for a reapplication of relations which were promptly and emphatically refused.

BELGIANS OCCUPY DUSSELDORF
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FRENCH PARLIAMENT.

LONDON, March 30.
The Chamber of Deputies, after an all-night sitting, rejected, by 363 votes to 131, the motion of the Socialist, M. Renan, for the reduction of military credits to £350,000,000 for the second quarter of 1919, thereby giving a vote of confidence in the Government, which M. Pichot and M. Abrial, the Under-Secretaries for War, had obtained.

M. Abrial declared that the French forces in Russia were as small as it was possible. The Government did not wish to send an expedition to Russia, and not another man would be sent there. The Allied policy with regard to Russia was to lead all possible assistance against Bolshevism, in food, clothing, stores, etc., Poland, Rumania, and the Baltic States.

RUMANIA'S NEEDS.

LONDON, March 31.
Reuter learns that the Government have arranged to open credits with Rumania for the purchase of immediate necessities, especially railway material. Complete equipment for 180,000 men will also be sent.

LONDON, March 31.
The Canadian Government is granting Rumania a loan of £25,000,000 for the purchase of agricultural necessities.

PARLEY WITH LENIN.

LONDON, March 31.
It is rumoured in Paris that the Entente Powers are opening fresh negotiations with M. Lenin.

WESTERN UKRAINE IS PRO-ALLIES.

BUSKI, March 30.
The Government of the Western Ukraine has notified Paris that they acquiesce in the wishes of the Entente.

A JOURNALISTIC SCOOP.

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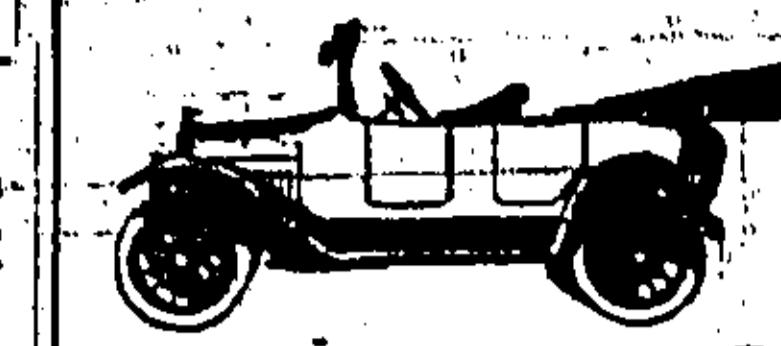
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Earlier in the history of cross-Channel escort work, however, and before the Dover Patrol had succeeded in so thoroughly closing that end of the Channel to enemy submarines, there was a different story to tell, and many exciting encounters between them and our submarine hunters occurred. Some of the most spectacular and dramatic of these have already been described in the Press; but there have been numerous others which are worthy of record even though they might not have resulted in every instance in the destruction of the submarine.

If the commanding officers of any of our anti-submarine craft had been selected and questioned haphazard, the chances are at least five to one against any particular one of them having seen a German submarine prior to the recent wholesale surrender of U-boats. Various estimates have been given of the number of vessels engaged in the hunting and destruction of submarines, and also as to the total number of German submarines that have been built; some of these estimates were undoubtedly inaccurate, especially upon the latter score, but two thousand appears to have been not an over-estimate for the former. As regards the total number of submarines that ever put to sea, we were informed by the Admiralty that it was definitely known a few months ago that 150 had been destroyed, while over 100 had been surrendered. It seems certain, therefore, that the total number constructed did not exceed 400, and of these probably no more than 30 to 40 were ever, at sea, at the same time. Although it is practically impossible to work out from these figures any mathematical or theoretical probabilities as regards the chances of any particular vessel sighting an enemy submarine, it would certainly appear that those chances have been not less than five to one, and quite probably a good deal more.

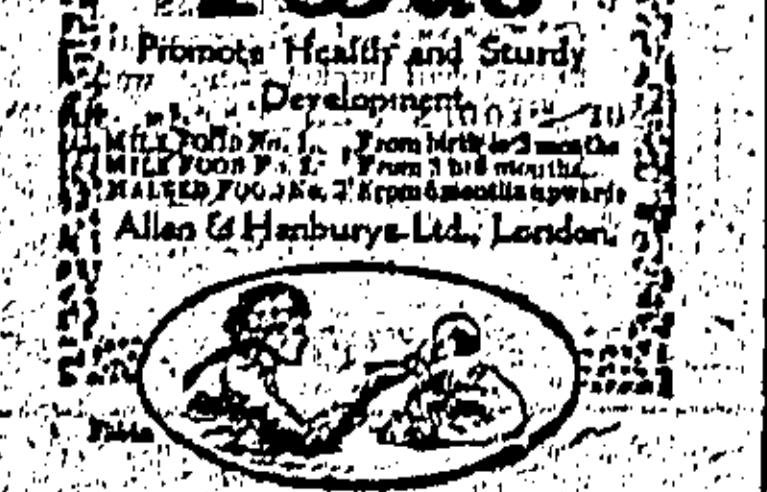
Now in quite a large number of cases where submarines have been destroyed, the sighting of the quarry has been a matter of pure chance. Thus, in one particular case, a patrol vessel had a new commanding officer appointed to her; she had frequently been scouring the seas for the enemy whilst she retained her old com-

mander, but always without success. Within a few hours of the new commander taking her to sea, a German submarine obligingly came to the surface "not half a mile distant, and almost directly in her course. At a speed of 25 knots the intervening distance was covered in something under a minute, much too short a time for Fritz to disappear again, with the result that the special razor-like stern of the patrol boat cut an enormous rent in the U-boat, causing her to founder immediately. Thus was it that prize money, and a much coveted decoration came to the commander of that vessel, before he had had time to walk round his ship.

On another occasion, a special patrol vessel had a very unusual experience. In the course of covering the "square of sea" allotted to him for patrol duties, a vivid green light was seen several miles away, it being dark at the time. A challenging flash produced no response in the way of recognition signals, so the patrol vessel was brought nearer, and cautiously steered around the strange light in order to defeat any U-boat ruses. When near enough to see the cause of the phenomenon, the bow of a submarine was discovered standing up at such an angle that it was obvious she was in a condition of considerable and unusual "trim," whilst the stern portions were completely submerged. Hanging on to the exposed parts of the bow were several men, who soon disclosed their identity as German by their shouts of "Kamerad," but even this unexpected state of affairs might have been a new submarine russ for accomplishing the destruction of the speedy warship which the U-boat had found to be her archenemy, so the commander wisely held off at some little distance, and despatched a boat to the scene. This took off some eight or nine men, from whom it was learned that the U-boat had been engaged in minelaying, when her stern was damaged either by the premature explosion of one of them or else by striking a British mine; the damage was too great for them to make good even by pumping out all her ballast and trimming tanks, and as these men saw the vessel was likely to founder they escaped through the forward-torpedo tubes. It was found impossible to tow the submarine to port, and as it was distinctly aware to run any risk of her getting away, she was thoroughly "depth-charged" to make certain that she was to be numbered among the "disposed-of."

It is a matter worthy of notice that since the enemy adopted his policy of unrestricted submarine warfare, very few submarines have been destroyed by gun fire. This is not altogether remarkable, seeing that on the surface the average submarine is no match for the average patrol vessel, even though her armament might be equally powerful. It is, however, somewhat remarkable that in pre-war days, when the possibilities of submarines were beginning to be understood, offence against them

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

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From NEW YORK,

THE Steamship

"SLAVIC PRINCE."

CAPTAIN THOMAS BURCH having
arrived from the above Port, Consigne-
es of Cargo are hereby informed
that their goods are being landed at
their risk into the Godowns of the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and
Godown Company Limited, Kowloon,
and stored at Consignees risk and
expense.Consignees of cargo are hereby noti-
fied that they must produce an
Import permit signed by the Superin-
tendent of Imports & Exports, Hong-
kong, before Bills of Lading can be
consigned.All broken, chafed, and damaged
goods are to be left in the godowns, and
where they will be examined on
Friday April 4, 1919, at 10 a.m.All claims must be presented within
FIFTEEN DAYS of the steamer's
arrival here, after which date they
cannot be recognized.No claim will be admitted after the
goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after
April 4, 1919, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bill of Lading will be countersigned
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Hongkong, April 1, 1919.

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No. 1 for Rheumatism
No. 2 for Chronic Wounds
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SPECIAL REMEDY FOR RHEUMATISM

NOTICES.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the
Society will be held at the registered office of the Society, Queen's Building,
Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 10th day of April, 1919, at 11 o'clock noon, when
the subjoined resolutions—1. That the nominal silver capital of the Society as existing
when this resolution is confirmed as a special resolution be
converted into sterling and that such capital so converted be
increased beyond the sterling equivalent of such silver capital
when such conversion takes place to the sum of £20,000,000
Sterling divided into 100,000 shares of the nominal value of
£10 each.2. That each of the issued silver shares of the Society as existing
when this resolution is confirmed as a special resolution be
converted into five shares of the nominal value of £10 each with the sterling
equivalent of £20 Hongkong currency at the opening T.T. rate of exchange on the date this
resolution is confirmed as a special resolution credited as
paid up thereon and accordingly that 10,000 shares out of the
100,000 shares of the nominal value of £10 each constituting the
capital of the Society, so converted and thereafter
distributed by the Board to the persons who are registered
as shareholders of the Society on the date this resolution is
confirmed as a special resolution in exchange for the silver
shares that have been held by the Board.3. That the Articles of Association be altered in manner following,
namely—

By the insertion after Article No. 107 of the following Article.

"107 (a). The Board may employ the funds of the Society which
have been established pursuant to the provisions of Article 107, fund
or any of them or any portion thereof (and that who ever
funds on such portion as is proposed to be dealt with were
set aside for the special purpose to which they are proposed
to be applied or for any other purpose or not) in or for all or
any of the following purposes that is to say, in any
contingencies in equalizing dividends, in paying special
dividends or bonuses, in repairing, improving and maintaining
any of the property of the Society, or otherwise in the
business of the Society, or for such other purposes as the
Board shall in its discretion think conducive
to the interests of the Society and in regard to which the
Board shall not be bound to keep such funds separate from
the other assets."

By the insertion after Article No. 108 of the following Article.

"108 (1). Any general meeting at which a dividend or bonus is
declared or sanctioned may make a call on the members of
such amount as the meeting fixes but so that the call on each
member shall not exceed the dividend or bonus payable to him
and so that notwithstanding the provisions of Articles 107, 108
and 21 the call may be payable at the same time as the dividend
or bonus and the dividend or bonus may, if so arranged
between the Society and the member, be set off against the
call. The making of a call under this Article shall be deemed
ordinary business of an ordinary general meeting which
declares a dividend."(2) After any resolution has been passed under the provisions
of paragraph (1) of this Article the Board may arrange on
behalf of the Society for the dividend or bonus to be set off
against the call by authorizing any person on behalf of the
members from whom such call is due to enter into an Agree-
ment with the Society providing for such dividend or bonus
to be set off against such call and any Agreement made under
such authority shall be effective.(3) It shall be no objection to any resolution made under para-
graph (1) of this Article that a call or any call or arrangement
that such resolution was passed on such call or arrangement, was
made at a meeting at which the resolution introducing this
Article and Articles 107 (a) was confirmed as a special resolu-
tion provided that due notice of the intention to propose such
first mentioned resolution and to declare such dividend or
bonus and to make such call shall have been given prior to
the Confirmatory meeting aforesaid.(108 (b). Dividends may be paid in Hongkong Currency at such
rate of exchange as the General Meeting declaring or
sanctioning the same or, in the case of interim dividends, as the Board
may determine."Should the above resolutions be passed by the requisite majority they will be
submitted for confirmation as special resolutions to a second extraordinary
meeting which will be subsequently convened.

Dated the Twenty-eighth day of March, 1919.

By Order of the Board.

C. MONTAGUE EDE,
General Manager.

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"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE."

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, APRIL 4, 1919.

HONGKONG.

A young Filipino student quoted recently in the papers described Hongkong as "a god-forsaken place." Youth is like that, limited as to means of expression, hasty as to impressions, and insouciantly unjust. What he meant is not quite clear, but the context of his observations showed that he thought Hongkong ugly. And he has probably seen Manilal How amazing!

Hongkong is a charming place, really. One must have known many other cities to realize it, perhaps. One must have memories, and an eye. Paris, London, Marseilles, Oxford, Birmingham, Perth, Sydney, Adelaide, Bath, Genoa, Capetown, Hobart, Rome, Madrid, San Francisco, New Orleans—these and all those countless others help us to realize Hongkong's peculiar charm. There is a something about Hongkong, a *je-ne-sais-quoi*, that makes it different. And yet it resembles some place. It awakens a remote memory. It . . . But, of course. That's it. It is the Dream City of our childhood.

"Pilgrim's Progress" and the German fairy tale books had bits of Hongkong in them, and imagination supplied the rest. It was a city on a hill, of course, and tier upon tier rose the buildings, with dome and spire and turret leading the eye interminably to further vistas of architecture. Down below where the little soul wandered, the streets were narrow and dark and cloistered, avenues of mystery and byways to romance. "Magic casements" opened everywhere, and the Genii of Aladdin was as imminent as a thunder storm. You have been there? Yes?

Hongkong's buildings are high, but they look higher than they are. To stroll between them is rather like walking down those endless picture galleries at Versailles. One comes to the corner of a block and is there confronted with a picture, a vignette of the sea, perhaps, with junk sails, such as one gets unexpectedly from

too, now that the pigtail is gone, and the hair no longer shaved to a uniform pattern. Splendid fellows.

Whoever says that Hongkong is not a city of enchantment, of mystery of beauty, of varied and constant interest, doesn't know what he is talking about.

UNPROFITABLE MUSING.

"Have you never felt when you have been swept into the interaction of some group of persons that you were being employed as a part of a figure that without you would be incomplete?" Thus Hugh Walpole, in the new novel reviewed yesterday. Something like that must be a common experience among those who do not abide always in one place. To stand contemplatively at Ludgate Hill, say, watching the traffic; eyes of passing strangers catch yours for a moment, you are, in the picture, and of it: to cross the seas, and dwell for years amid other crowds, forgetting that eternal stream of people: to go back and stand once more at the same corner—haven't you done all that? Did not the thought occur to you that that crowd had been so pouring by, day after day, year after year, without you? And then the doubt—how could it? Was it perhaps not real, a mere subjective illusion? And then the shrug, the pull-yourself-together-man reflection that in 1898 you did actually see it; that your intervening experience was all real, and that now in 1916 (it must be real) Yes. Even Englishmen have these odd mental twists. Kipling must have had the feeling, or he could never have imagined "Kim." An English schoolmaster in Malaya used to play with the idea that the only objective reality was in front of him; that if he could turn round quickly enough he would find vacuum. Even his own back was non-existent. Quite so. It is all very silly. Let's talk of something else.

MR. LANDALE.

The Hon. Mr. David Landale, the *taipan* of "Ewo," is reported to be retiring almost immediately. Mr. J. Johnstone is coming from Shanghai to take his place. Mr. Landale also came here from Shanghai, and has had altogether about thirty years with the "princely House" of Jardine Matheson. It is understood he is going home, and will not return to the East. Although we have had to disagree with his views on the regulation of our street traffic, and to find serious fault with him as a critic of journalism (about which we claim to know more than he does), we share the popular opinion that he is a good chap and that he thoroughly deserves his luck. We wish him all happiness on his retirement.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

To-day's dollar is worth 3s. 2 15-16d.

To-day's return of communicable disease is a blank.

Seven coolies were dismissed with a caution by Mr. Lindsell this morning, for gambling outside 20 Geddes Street yesterday afternoon.

Charged with keeping a disorderly house, a Chinese woman was remanded in the small Police Court this morning, in order that she could bring evidence of her respectability.

Captain and Quartermaster S. H. Cleall, Royal Irish Fusiliers, has been transferred to the Royal Air Force. As a warrant officer in Hongkong about four years ago, Captain Cleall was in charge of the Military Detention Barracks.

Last summer the Police Reserve organised a Marathon Race. What about another this year? It is suggested that those who may organise it that they should not leave it till the weather gets too hot. The day was far too hot on the last occasion.

"The Stunts" who were to have had the use of the stage for rehearsals of "Our Boys" to-morrow, have kindly conceded it to Pimkie's very last party, which will take place at popular prices (\$2.00, \$1.00, 50 cents) that evening at 9:15 p.m. This will doubtless be observed as Cherry Blossom and Plum Blossom time are honoured in their artistic land.

Even in its architecture Hongkong is beautiful. The truth is that there is so much architectural beauty that we don't see it. The attention is bewildered, confused, unfocussed. Those *verandas*, everywhere with their multiplicity of arches present a striking *charactura*, especially when sunshine paints the facades.

And then the crowds, the cosmopolitan crowds, dominated by the cheery coolies. These fellows, whom you would expect to be unhappy, even sulky, are so gay. You never see that desperate, avid look that you see on the street hawkers' face at home, that anxiety which forces you to buy what you do not want. These men solicit your patronage as if they didn't care whether you employed them or not. "She" or "Chay" they cry, with jack-in-the-box repetitions, and they grin.

Such story-telling faces they have,

BILLIARDS.

SOLDIERS' CLUB CUP.

FINAL WON BY No. 2 CO., H.K.P.R.

At the Soldiers' Club last night, the final match in the Soldiers' Club tournament for the season was concluded. The Hongkong Defence Corps and No. 2 Co., H.K.P.R. had qualified to meet in the final. On Tuesday night, the match started and each team won one game. Mr. Guimaraes defeated Mr. Morgan rather heavily, by 58 points, despite a break of 31 by the loser. The Defence Corps won the next game, Mr. Jenkins getting the better of Mr. Gardner by 22 points. On Tuesday evening Mr. Gardner defeated Mr. Barrett by 40 points which put the Defence Corps in front. Then Mr. Ritchie (H.K.D.C.) and Mr. Rosario contested the 250 up. Ritchie lost heavily, only scoring 101. Rosario scored most consistently, a large number of breaks in the vicinity of 20 helping him along in jumps. Last night the two last games were played, the Police Reserve holding a lead of 145 points. The first pair were Mr. Parkes of the Defence Corps and Mr. Remedios. Parkes won by 45 points, although Remedios did better in the way of breaks, making nice contributions of 32 and 24. With the lead reduced to 100 the result was still pretty certain for the Police Reserve. Mr. Leach and Mr. Yvanovitch were the final pair and Leach suffered a heavy defeat. He scored only 112 but it must be said that what luck there was was all on the side of his opponent. Yvanovitch played finely, a break of 41 being punctuated by a fumble in the middle. He scored others of 29 and 26, finally winning his game by a margin of 138. The Police Reserve thus won the cup for the second year in succession.

PRESENTATION OF TROPHIES.

The billiard trophies were then presented. Captain D. R. Wahl, R.E., Hon. Secretary of the Soldiers' Club said:

Gentlemen: On account of the inability of H.E. the G.O.C. to attend due to a prior engagement, it falls to me to present the prizes for the various billiard tournaments this year. I am sorry to say the entries have not been so large as in previous years but we have had some very good billiards.

Captain Wahl then presented the prizes as follows:

Soldiers' Club billiard cup and medals won by No. 2 Co. H.K.P.R. to Crown Sergt. Rosario. Runners-up medals won by "B" Co. Hongkong Defence Corps to Sergt. A. Leach.

Garrison Billiard Cup and medals won by Staff and Departments to Staff Q.M.S. Sheriff, R.A.C. Runners-up medals won by 1st Garr. En. Harvey.

Silver Cup presented by Messrs. Bradley and Co., for highest break in the Garrison Cup tournament. Won by C. Q. M. Sergt. Barker, 88th Co. R.G.A., with a break of 46. Billiard Cue and case for 2nd highest break in the same tournament presented by Sergt. Hall, Manchester Regt.

Best break with a break of 36.

The meeting then adjourned.

HONGKONG POULTRY ASSOCIATION.

DR. BARNARDO'S HOMES.

A HONGKONG BED.

There was only just a quorum at the meeting of the Hongkong Poultry Association, held last night at the offices of Messrs. Johnson and Stokes and Master.

Commander Beckwith presided and those present were Messrs. H. L. Dowbiggin, E. M. V. E. de Souza, F. Fisher, F. J. McCarthy, F. H. Dillon, J. C. Wong and B. L. Frost, Hon. Secretary.

The Rules of the Association, which were submitted by the Committee appointed for this purpose, were passed after a little discussion. The yearly subscription was fixed at \$5, there being no entrance fee. Subscribers of \$20 and over will be elected life members. Owing to Mr. Longmotto having resigned from the Committee Mr. Dowbiggin was elected to take his place. Mr. Fisher was appointed honorary treasurer. Mr. Dowbiggin reported that if there was any more rain there would be no Gymkhana, and it would be postponed until April 12. The proposal that a show should be held on that date was therefore not feasible and it would have to be postponed until April 29. A challenge cup will be given for competition among the members at the forthcoming show.

Mr. Dillon brought up the question of Brahmin Kites and asked whether or not it would be possible to get the Government to take steps to reduce these birds of prey which were threatening chicks all over the Island. He reported that he had lost many of his birds by reason of these kites, who perched on trees and swooped down on them. Commander Beckwith stated that Green Island swarmed with them, and he was certain that it was their breeding place, but he found, after he had lost many birds, that the use of nets protecting fowl runs put an end to this. Then followed an interesting discussion in which nearly all those present took part, but no definite scheme for the extermination of these pests was arrived at. The point was mooted that their value as scavengers might offset their mischief.

Then followed a discussion on the best breed of fowls and the question of cross breeding and from the majority of opinions expressed it was very evident that the Leghorns were the most favoured.

Snakes was the next subject to be discussed and it was reported that several members had lost valuable birds owing to these. Mr. Dillon stated that if a goose were kept in the chicken run the hiss of this bird would keep the snakes away. He had tried it very successfully. Then the question of rats came up and Mr. Dillon again came forward with the suggestion that it would be a good thing to train a cat to look after chickens, as no rats would come around if there was a cat about.

Commander Beckwith suggested that Hongkong rats could eat up the kitten (laughing).

Mr. Dillon then suggested that the Association should give a few prizes.

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THE CORONET THEATRE.

Two new pictures were showing at the Coronet last night, one was entitled "The Children in the House." It is a sentimental picture, a story of a wicked husband and a loving wife. It is full of misery and well worth seeing.

Capital arrangements were made for the final, these being under the supervision of Garrison Sergt.-Major A. E. Hulme.

The scores of the final follow:

No. 2 CO. H.K.P.R.

Best break.

Mr. Guimaraes..... 250
" Gardner..... 228
" Barretto..... 210
" Rosario..... 250
" Remedios..... 205
" Yvanovitch..... 250

Total..... 1393

" B" CO. HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

Best break.

Mr. Morgan..... 192
" Jenkins..... 250
" Gardner..... 250
" Barretto..... 101
" Parkes..... 250
" Leach..... 112

Total..... 1155

NAVAL OFFICERS' CLUB.

Best break.

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" Jenkins..... 250
" Gardner..... 250
" Barretto..... 101
" Parkes..... 250
" Leach..... 112

Total..... 1155

MR. ASQUITH AND THE PREMIER.

Mr. Asquith has sent the following letter to a correspondent:

"20, Cavendish-square, W.1, Feb. 6.
Dear Sir—I am not surprised that the unauthorised publication of some private communications, which passed

between Mr. Lloyd George and myself in December, 1918, should have created erroneous and misleading impressions. I cannot follow the bad example (which is, I am glad to see, repudiated as strongly by the Prime Minister as by myself) of divulging matters which are still under the seal of confidence. I must, therefore, content myself by saying that the correspondence in question is a fragmentary and quite incomplete version of the transactions which led to a change of Ministry.—Yours faithfully, H. H. Asquith.

DOCKYARD R.C.

Last night in the Dockyard Recreation Club this match was concluded, the Dockyard Club scoring a narrow win by 30 points. The best game of the match was put by Surgeon Lieut. Smith, who scored breaks of 56 and 38 defeating his opponent by 125 points. His 56 break was unfortunately ended by losing the white. Surgeon Lieut. Price won rather unexpectedly. He was behind near the end of his game but seized an opportunity and ran out with an unfinished 26. The scores follow:

NAVAL OFFICERS' CLUB.

Surg. Lieut. Smith..... 250

Mr. Neighbour..... 194

Mr. Knight..... 211

Surg. Lieut. Price..... 250

Eng. Comdr. Jenkins..... 221

Surg. Lieut. Cdr. Cockrem..... 192

Total..... 1348

BOWEL COMPLAINT IN CHILDREN.

During the summer months children are subject to disorders of the bowels and should receive the most careful attention. As soon as any unnatural looseness of the bowels is noticed, remedies should be given. For example, by All Chomites and Stomach-powders.

CITY HALL WORK PARTY.

A HONGKONG BED.

The following subscriptions have been received up to date by Mrs. Pollock towards the provision of a "Hongkong Bed" in memory of the Barnardo boys who died in the war, for which object the sum of \$500, to be invested in War Loan, is required—

The Hon. Mr. David Landale..... \$100
Mrs. H. Hancock..... 50
Mr. M. P. Beattie..... 50
" Anonymous..... 25
Mrs. Newall..... 25
Mrs. Dowbiggin..... 25
Mrs. Beavis..... 25
Mrs. J. Reid..... 25
Mr. T. F. Hough..... 25
Mrs. Maxon..... 20
Mrs. Ormiston..... 10
Mrs. Shelling..... 10
" War Bonus"

DEATH AT THE DOCKYARD

A FALL OR A PUSH?

Chogatta, the Indian watchman, continued his evidence yesterday afternoon and in reply to his Worship, said he was about seven paces from the deceased when he climbed down the side of the dry-dock. When witness got to the edge of the dock, he looked down to see what the deceased was doing. After the deceased had gone down about two steps, he appeared to slip and roll over. When the deceased reached the bottom of the dock, he lay motionless and fearing that he might be dead, the witness ran along the sea-wall towards the Chief Watchman's quarters where the stretcher was. When witness went to the bottom of the dock, with the stretcher, he saw the man was dead! There was also some white paint splashed on the bottom of the dock, about three feet from the deceased's body.

Mr. Lo: When the deceased commenced to climb down were there other people about?—Yes, some other coolies.

When you saw the deceased turn back with the tin of paint in his hand, did you shout to him to stop?—No.

What was your intention when you followed him?—I intended to watch and see what he would do.

Did you shout to him at any time?—No.

Answering a further question, the witness said there were some coolies about the spot when the deceased started to roll down.

Mr. Lo: When you saw the deceased roll down did you shout for help?—No.

His Worship: I don't think that question would help any, Mr. Lo.

Mr. Lo: I am trying to place myself in the witness's place, your Worship. If the deceased had

really met with an accident it was only quite natural that I would shout "Good gracious! an accident, help!" or something to that effect.

In all probability, the man might have still been alive when he reached the bottom, and by calling out, someone might run off for a doctor while I went for a stretcher. If, on the other hand, the deceased did not meet with an accident, I can quite appreciate the reason for the silence.

His Worship repeated that he did not think the question was of any help to the court and counsel left the matter to his Worship's decision.

A Chinese paint-scraper, a fellow workman of the deceased, said they

finished work at 5 p.m. on March 22 and walked along the sea-wall to

wards the gate, the deceased in front and witness immediately behind.

The deceased presently stopped at a water tap to wet some waste, and

then going to the edge of the dock, shouted down to the workmen at the

basin to come off work. The men

the deceased shouted to wave working

at the bottom of the s.s. "Feng

Yuen." After this, said witness, In

spite of the deceased's shouting and

shouting and slapped his face

the deceased fell as

result of the blow he had received

and when he got up, the Indian

watchman by the front of his coat

pulling the deceased towards

him suddenly pushed him backwards

and got his grip of the coat. The

deceased fell backwards and then

over into the dock. When

witness saw the deceased falling, he

shouted "Save life," three times

and the watchman ran away.

Witness then climbed down the dock to

see if the deceased was getting

up and found him lying dead in the

nullah. At the bottom of the dock a large crowd had gathered and two of the workmen jumped into the

nullah and lifted the deceased out.

The witness then went for No. 1

painter. He subsequently saw and

recognised the dead body of the

deceased, Cheng Kong, at the Mortuary.

By Inspector Angus: He was the

first person to get near the deceased's

body, the others were working under

the ship.

Question by his Worship, the witness said when he got to the bottom, two men had already lifted the deceased out of the nullah.

His Worship: I understand from

you that you were the first man to

arrive at the side of the deceased?—

I was the first one to go down from the top. From my position at the top, I saw the deceased was lying in the nullah, when I got down, he

had already been removed and laid

down alongside the nullah.

Inspector Angus: You further told me at the station that you were the

first to get beside the deceased and

lifted him into a sitting position in

the nullah?—No, I lifted him into

a sitting position after his body had

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been lifted out of the nullah.

By Mr. Lewis: When the deceased got up after being knocked down by the Indian he stood with his back to the dock basin while the Indian stood facing him. The deceased was a little over two feet (English measure) away from the edge of the dock.

Mr. Lewis: And the Indian gave him a tremendous push with all his

force?—Yes.

You and the deceased were not

the only persons who were coming

off work at the time?—No.

There were hundreds of other

workmen about?—Yes.

YING WA COLLEGE.

SPORTS AND PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.

The Ying Wa College held its annual sports yesterday afternoon and in spite of the weather which was very unsettled there was a large attendance of spectators. The Senior Championship was won by Fung In Kam and the Junior Championship by Ng Wai Kuen. The following are the results:

Long Jump (Senior).—1, Fung In Kam; 2, Ng Wai Kuen; 3, Chau U Kim.

Long Jump (Junior).—1, Kwan Seung Ki; 2, Ng Wai Kuen; 3, Tang Yung Shun.

100 Yards (Senior).—1, Fung In Kam; 2, Ng Wai Kuen; 3, Chiu Sze Puk.

100 Yards (Junior).—1, Ng Wai Kuen; 2, Ng Wai Keung; 3, Tang Yung Shun.

200 Yards (Small Boys).—1, Au King; 2, Fu Ping Yee; 3, Ho Yan Kuan.

High Jump (Senior).—1, Chiu Sze Puk; 2, Cheung Kong Cha; 3, Fung In Kam.

High Jump (Junior).—1, Ng Wai Kuen; 2, Kwan Seung Ki.

Quarter Mile (Senior).—1, Fung In Kam; 2, Ng Wai Kuen; 3, Chiu Sze Puk.

Quarter Mile (Junior).—1, Ng Wai Kuen; 2, Ng Wai Keung; 3, Au King.

Three-Legged Race.—1, Chan U Kim and Chan Shing Yew; 2, Chu Kam In and Au Ping Kwong; 3, Wong Cho Wim and Ho Cheung Chi.

300 Yards (Handicap).—1, Mak Shan Shek; 2, Chu Kwun In; 3, Lam Ying Yuen.

Quarter Mile (Senior).—1, Fung In Kam; 2, Ng Wai Kuen; 3, Ho Yan Yuen.

Quarter Mile (Junior).—1, Ho Cheung Chi; 2, Kwan Seung Ki; 3, Au King.

Half Mile (Small Boys).—1, Au King; 2, Cheung Heung Cha; 3, Fu Ping Yee.

Half Mile (Junior).—1, Tang Yung Shing; 2, Kwan Seung Ki; 3, Ho Cheung Chi.

One-Mile Bicycle Race.—1, Tsui Hong Ming; 2, Chan Shing Yau; 3, Fung In Kwong.

One-Mile Boys' Race.—Lam Hung Chi; 2, Ko Chi To.

Mathematical Race.—1, Chan U Kim; 2, Wong Tai Sheng; 3, Chung Man Yung.

Tug-of-War.—Class 8.

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.

In the evening the prizes were distributed in the College Hall. A musical programme was provided after which the Rev. D. Pearce said that the school-roll consisted of 180 pupils, of whom 40 were boarders. The special mission of the school was to educate, in the interests of the Chinese Church, the sons of Church members, with such others as the school appealed to. Emphasis was laid on conduct, training and character. After passing through many vicissitudes, the school was now making sound progress, and it was hoped that the final object in view—that of acquiring a suitable building in which to further develop the school along the present lines—would be attained. The school prepared pupils for the local examinations of the University, and was successful in passing 6 out of 8 candidates in the junior local examination. The endeavours of those who were carrying on the work was to maintain the atmosphere which Mr. Hughes had created, and to keep the College in a state of efficiency until the Headmaster returned from military service. (Applause.)

Mrs. Chan Ha then distributed the prizes being in turn presented with a bouquet of flowers.

THE PRIZE LIST.

The following is the prize list:—

Hughes Scholarship.—Yip Keung Ki.

Scripture.—Sheng King Chi.

Class 2.—1, Chan Sam; 2, Chan Tui Hing; 3, Tan Shui Wa.

Class 3.—1, Tse Ping Kwan; 2,

Sau Sui Chuen; 3, Cheung Kong Cha.

Class 4.—1, Ho Nai Kuan; 2, Cheng Man Yung; 3, Chan Yik Man.

Class 5.—1, Chan Tsang Kuan; 2, Ko Ping Chi; 3, Fu Shui Sz.

Class 6.—1, Chu Ching Wa; 2, Lo Kai Ming; 3, Chu Kwang Yin.

Drawing.—Choi Shu Fan.

Class 7.—1, Au Ping Kwong; 2,

Tse Ping Hing; 3, Tang Thung Man.

Drawing.—Au Ping Kwong.

Class 8.—1, Pou Tsoi Hon; 2,

Wong Cho Wom; 3, Ho Hin Kan.

Drawing.—Pou Tsoi Hon.

NOTES.

So dozens besides you must have seen what you say took place?—Yes.

And yet when they saw a countryman being deliberately murdered, they did not do anything to the Indian?—The Indian ran away and a crowd gave chase.

Do you know that the watchman took a stretcher into the dock basin?—No.

Did you know, also, that the

watchman was on duty near the

paint store for a full hour after the

accident?—No.

The enquiry was further adjourned

until Monday at 2.15 p.m.

REVIEW.

A History of the United States, by Cecil Chesterton. London: Chatto and Windus. Pp. 231. 6s. net.

G. R. Chesterton writes an introduction to this historical essay by his brother, who died in a French hospital of the effects of exposure in the trenches. It is a temptation to review the introduction rather than the history, but we must resist it. Why should Cecil Chesterton have tackled such an apparently unnecessary work, after very slight personal acquaintance with America, and in the middle of the Great War? That is the first question to present itself. He answers it himself: "At this moment the whole future of our civilization may depend upon a thorough good understanding" between, in this case, England and America. This is an attempt to help Englishmen to understand American development, especially with regard to political ideals. It is well conceived.

Cecil Chesterton, though he never enjoyed the pyrotechnic skill of his more famous brother, was an analyst and a lucid writer. With material derived from existing histories, and his special purpose kept constantly in mind, he has produced a very readable short history.

Dealing with the constitutional revolution of "Old Hickory" Jackson's presidency, we find this typical observation:

"Even the 'Spoils System,' whatever its evils, tended to strengthen the Effect of the People. It made the power of an American President more directly personal than that of the most despotic rulers of continental Europe; for they are always constrained by a bureaucracy, while his bureaucracy even down to its humblest members is of his own appointment and dependent on him."

There is a striking irony about the fate of the parties in the two countries. In the [British] Monarchy an aristocratic Parliamentarian won, and the Crown became a pliant. In the Republic a popular sovereign won, and the President became more than a King."

Lots of Englishmen have not thought of that, and many Americans have only lately begun to realize it. That quotation will give a better idea of the book than a column of comment.

The last few pages of the last chapter give the true reason of the American delay in entering the war, and show (as we have all along believed) that Wilson's deliberation was wiser than Roosevelt's impulsiveness. There was, up to a certain period, a decided and unanimous feeling that America should keep out of it.

The majority sided with the Allies, especially with France, and America should keep her own side of the water. In view of this, and, not forgetting the German element of the population, and the paid Prussian propagandists, President Wilson bided his time, doing, however, a little useful propaganda on his own account.

He knew, of course, when the *Lusitania* was pirated, that war must come. But he also knew that if he struck too early he would divide the nation. He waited till the current of opinion had time to develop, carefully though obtrusively directing it in such a fashion as to prepare it for eventualities. . . . When at last he declared war it was with a united America at his back.

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REFORMING COURT MARTIAL PROCEDURE.

London, March 31st.

In the House of Commons, Capt. Guest said that Mr. Justice Darling would preside over the Courts Martial Committee, which would include Mr. Horatio Bottomley, M.P., Lord Hugh Cecil, M.P., Major C. Lowther, M.P., Mr. S. Walsh, M.P., Lord Cavan, Sir Felix Cassel, Major-General Childs and Major-General Mellor, to inquire into the laws and rules of procedure regulating courts-martial, both in peace-time and in war time, and make recommendations.

RECALCITRANT WELSH MINERS.

London, March 31st.

The South Wales Miners' Conference has rejected the Sankey award, and advised the miners, by a majority of 83 votes, against the acceptance of the recommendation of the Miners' Federation.

ADRIATIC BLOCKADE.

Rome, March 31st.

The Blockade of the Adriatic ceased at midnight on March 30th.

TEA MARKET.

London, March 25th.

The removal of the control on the price of tea yesterday resulted in a much larger supply being marketed. High quality teas are again on sale. China tea sold at 4/- and lower grade tea as low as 2/- per pound.

SILVER MARKET.

Singapore, March 29th.

The price of silver is steady at 49 3-16d.

London, March 25th.

Silver is quoted at 49 5-16d. The market is steady.

The silver advance is due to the American exchange movement.

TRANSATLANTIC AVIATION.

St. John's (Newfoundland), Mar. 30.

The British airmen, Hawke and Grieve, arrived to-day with a supply of aeroplane for a transatlantic flight. They propose to start on April 16th, and hope to reach the British Isles in nineteen hours.

DOMINION VOICE IN EMPIRE RULE.

London, March 31st.

In the House of Commons, at question time, Mr. Bonar Law stated that the Imperial Government would consult the Dominion Prime Ministers before they returned home, regarding the most convenient time and method for holding a special Imperial Conference to consider inter-imperial constitutional relationships.

BRITISH PRISONERS IN RUSSIA.

London, March 31st.

In the House of Commons, Sir Cecil Harmsworth stated that the number of British subjects detained by the Russian Bolshevik Government was not believed to be very large. Replying to the Government's intimation that the Bolshevik leaders would be held personally responsible for maltreatment of British prisoners, Mr. Tchitcherin denied that prisoners were in any way ill-treated.

THE BIRTH-RATE AND MILITARISM.

Statistics of population are not curiosities but important political facts. It is well known that the birth-rate is highest in the least progressive countries, and that a rapid decline, set in some years ago in Germany, Belgium and other militarists condemned it in the strongest terms. Many of the German newspapers took up the cry, "Central Europe needs children-children." Professor Wolf said that Russia was adding to her population at a far greater rate than was Germany. But the militarists did not have it all their own way. Dr. Alfred Fried said at a meeting:

It is madness to wish to breed and care for human beings in order that in the flower of their youth, they may be sent in millions to be slaughtered wholesale by machine... offered up to a political dogma at the bidding of secret diplomacy. In future the only enemies are those who refuse to believe in the elimination of war; all others are allies.

I suppose few people have read the National Commission's report on the declining birth-rate. The following sentences may be commented to politicians:

The pressure of population in any country brings as a chief historic consequence overflows and migrations, not only for peaceful settlement, but for conquest, and for the subjugation and exploitation of weaker peoples. This always remains a chief cause of international disputes.

Is it not possible that Germany plunged in 1914 before her birth-rate still further declined? Has Professor T. N. Carver, of Harvard, ever been answered when, speaking as an economist, he said:

Foxes think large families among the rabbits highly commendable. Employers who want large supplies of cheap labour, military leaders who want plenty of cheap food for gunpowder, politicians who want plenty of voters, all agree in commanding large families and rapid multiplication among the poorer classes.

The population question remains for us all "the riddle of the sphinx." It is time opinion was ventilated upon it.

FOOTBALL.

THE CLOSING STAGES.

WHO WILL WIN H.K. LEAGUE?

In all probability Saturday will see the end of football for the present season. That is so far as matches with competitive interest in them are concerned. Three trophies have been won already. The Hong Kong Shield, the Hongkong F.C. are taking care of. The United Services League shield has been won by the Navy. This they managed by defeating the Club by a single goal last Saturday. The 2nd Division Hongkong League trophy has been won by St. Joseph's College. After the Collegians' defeat last Saturday by the Staff and Departments, they wanted one more point to make sure of the championship. During the week the 3rd Company, R.G.A. have forfeited their remaining matches. As they were due to play St. Joseph's College one match, the two points settle matters. St. Joseph's thus succeed South China Athletic as champions of the 2nd Division. Whether they will emulate the lead set by the Chinese and go up into 1st Division football remains to be seen. They have proved themselves good enough. They can play clean, clever football, at all events. Out of 18 league matches this season they have won 11, drawn 1, and lost 1. Their remaining match is against Kowloon, who are keen on defeating the champions.

The only trophy remaining that requires a home is the 1st division having with another man stolen the sum of \$115 from a marine hawker. The complainant gave evidence as to how the prisoner had come up to him with another man and pretended to search him for opium, and had taken the money from him. He held on to the prisoner but he the prisoner handed the money to the other man who ran away.

In support of his case several witnesses were called, all of whom identified the accused as the man with whom the complainant was strutting.

The prisoner was very indignant about the charge and when asked by the Magistrate whether he had anything to say replied that all the witnesses were his enemies and had plotted together to put him in prison. "I am a very respectable married man, and these people are very wicked to try and do me harm," he said. Mr. Orme replied that he had so many enemies it would be much the best thing for him to leave the Colony, but before doing so he would have to spend six months at hard labour in prison, and before being sent away he would also have to spend four hours in the stocks, as an example to other people.

Mr. Orme complimented the complainant on his behaviour in holding on to the prisoner and informed him that he must never be afraid to hold on to anybody in similar circumstances.

CORRESPONDENCE.

AN APPEAL FOR THE GARRISON.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL")

SIR.—I should be grateful if you would allow me to make an appeal through your paper. The hot weather will soon be upon us, and cricket, football, and hockey, which have done much to brighten the past months, will be finished. Only those who have lived in barracks know how monotonous Army life can be without sport, and it is to help to relieve this that we are now starting a Garrison Tennis League in order to encourage tennis playing, not for the few but for the many. Tennis, however, is an expensive game, and there are already many calls on Army pay, therefore any gifts of surplus rackets and balls, or even a net, will be very welcome, and, if sent to Room 95, Peak Hotel, will be gratefully acknowledged.—Yours truly,

REV. GERALD A. BUNNELL
Chaplain to the Forces.
(Hon. Secretary).

Peak Hotel, April 4, 1919.

TOO MANY ENEMIES.

Mai Ping, a coal coolie, was charged before Mr. Orme this morning with having with another man stolen the sum of \$115 from a marine hawker. The complainant gave evidence as to how the prisoner had come up to him with another man and pretended to search him for opium, and had taken the money from him. He held on to the prisoner but he the prisoner handed the money to the other man who ran away.

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IRRESISTIBLE TEMPTATION.

When a poor Chinese coolie was walking along Queen's Road last night, he saw one of his rich countrymen walk up to a money-changer with a roll of bills in his hand. This sight was much too much for the poor coolie. He spent a few moments reflecting how he would spend it if he had it. From that it seemed a short step to getting it. He thought of snatching it away from the affluent one. He snatched it. One of those interfering policemen happened to be near and the poor coolie's dream was very quickly dispelled. He was charged at the Police Court this morning, and will now have six weeks to dream in, between the intervals of hard labour which he will be called upon to do in connection with his enforced stay in prison.

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Shanghai.—A good demand had prevailed especially in 12s yarn during the previous fortnight but at the close the market is reported to be flat and dropping.

Japanese Yarn.—Moderate business has passed in these spinnings.

Quotations and sales are as follows:

800 bales of *Nagasaki*, No. 20s, at \$270/\$287; 3 Horses, No. 18s, at \$225; 8 Horses, No. 20s, \$265; 1,500 bales of *Yellow Joss*, No. 20s, at \$273/\$285; *Setsu*, No. 18s, at \$213; *Natu*, No. 20s, at \$270; *Blue Fish*, No. 20s, at \$265.

Raw Cotton.—Bengal no stock.

China: no new bargains have been put through, but prices have declined 5% per picul.

Quotations: Bengal, \$16 to 17; *Chinaw*, \$45 to 53.

LEAGUE CRICKET.

MATCHES UNCERTAIN.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL")

The continual rain during the week makes it very doubtful if any cricket will be played to-morrow. Lack of advice from Club secretaries points to the prospect of a blank day. The League is in a most interesting state just now. The Civil Service and R.G.A. each wonder what the other is doing. The Civil Servants are due to play the Manchester's tomorrow. If they survive this obstacle, a very severe one, they have only the University to encounter. At least that is their opinion but as they have also to play the C.R.C. well you never can tell.

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BANKS.

Hongkong Banks, \$703 b, 710 m.

MARINE INSURANCES.

Canton Ins. \$445 b, 450 m.

North China Ins. T. 130 b.

Union Ins. \$1035 b.

Yangtze Ins. \$235 b.

Far East Ins. T. 36 b.

FIRE INSURANCES.

China Fire Ins. \$70 b.

Hongkong Fire Ins. \$30 b.

Shipping.

Dredges ... \$92 b, 93 m.

E.H. Steamboats \$24 n.

Indo China (Prod.) ... \$29 b.

Do. (Def.) ... \$1594 b.

Shell Transport 160 b, 162/4 m.

Star Ferries ... \$35 n.

REFINING.

China Sugars ... \$123 b.

Malabon Sugars ... \$33 n.

MINES.

Kai Lan Mining Adm. \$107 n.

Langkawi Combined ... T. 23 b.

Tin Min. ... \$2 b.

Tinob Min. ... 407 b.

Ural Carpets.

Docks, Warehouses, &c.

H. & W. Wharfs \$126 b, 127/4 m.

H. & W. Docks ... \$165 b, 167 m.

Shai Docks ... T. 21 b.

New Dockings ... T. 20 b.

Lace, Hosiery & Buildings.

Cotton Textiles ... \$104 b.

Hongkong Hotels ... \$93 b.

Hongkong Lands ... \$105 b.

Humphries ... \$8 b.

Kowloon Lands ... \$34 b.

Land Reclaimations ... \$175 b.

West Points ... \$69 b.

COTTON MILLS.

Two Cottons ... T. 240 n.

Kung Yik ... T. 23 b, 24 m.

Lam Yip Yung Mows ... \$15 b.

Oriental Mills ... T. 70 n.

Shanghai Cottons ... T. 175 n.

Yangtze ... T. 10,516 m.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Cement ... \$77 b.

China Borax ... \$13,70 n.

China Lights ... \$5 b, can rights

China-Providents ... \$7 b, ex div.

Dairy Farms ... \$284 n.

E.H. Electrics ... \$73 n.

Macau Ins. ... \$33 n.

Hongkong Ropes ... \$30 n.

H.E. Tramways (Old) ... \$75 b.

do. (New) ... \$75 b.

Steam Laundries ... \$150 b.

H.E. Steel Foundries ... \$12 b.

Water-boats ... \$8 b.

Watsons ... \$31 b.

Fowells ... \$11 b.

Wistmanns ... \$26 b.

THE WATER SUPPLY.

Level and Storage of water in reservoirs on the 1st March, 1918.

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS

LEVEL

1918.

Storage 17 ft. 11 in. below

overflow 4 ft. 4 in. below overflow.

Tytan Storage 34 ft. 7 in. below

overflow 17 ft. 5 in. below overflow.

Tytan Intermediate 80 ft. 10 in. below overflow.

Storage 10 ft. 10 in. below overflow.

Wong Nai Chung 28 ft. 7 in. below overflow.

Auklum 10 ft. 10 in. below overflow.

Storage 10 ft. 11 in. below overflow.

STORAGE IN MILLIONS AND DECIMALS OF GALLONS.

1918.

Tytan 132.23 136.02

Tytan Drywall 50.70 54.45

Tytan Tok 112.63 121.25

Wong Nai Chung 1.08 1.02

Petroleum 7.50 7.50

Total 301.83 316.11

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PASSING OF THE COWBOY.

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SHIPPING AND COMMERCE IN PARLIAMENT.

GOVERNMENT & INSURANCE PREMIUMS.

Mr. Rowlands asked the Prime Minister whether he was aware that heavy premiums have been paid by manufacturers, traders, and others for insurance against aircraft and as the premiums had to be paid for a year he would consider the advisability of refunding the amount due on each policy as from Nov. 1, 1918?

Mr. Bridgeman.—The question whether some refund of premium could be given has been carefully considered by the Aircraft Insurance Committee, and they came to the conclusion that it is not practicable.

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